

PERSONAL USE FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-10-11

Issued at: Glennallen, Wednesday July 27, 2011

Effective 12:01 a.m. Monday August 1, 2011
Date:

Expiration Date: December 31, 2011, unless
superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the period August 1 – August 7, 2011. The Chitina Subdistrict will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, August 1 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, August 7. In addition, this emergency order establishes the weekly period when a supplemental permit for 10 additional sockeye salmon will be valid for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River.

REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, August 1 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, August 7. During this period an additional 10 sockeye salmon may be harvested by a permit holder who has already harvested their original permit limit.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner



by delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

During July 11 – July 17, there were 119,872 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 46,366 salmon, which results in a surplus of 73,506 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon to maintain 168 hours of fishing time during the week of August 1 – August 7. In addition, an excess of more than 50,000 salmon above the preseason sonar projection for this period allows a supplemental harvest of 10 additional sockeye salmon to those permit holders who have already harvested their original permit limit.

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